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SENATOR F. LEWIS: Senator Marvel, do you wish to speak on this amendment?

SENATOR MARVEL: This has to do with the \$25,000 for the endangered species. The money was....

SENATOR F. LEWIS: Excuse me Senator Marvel. We can't hear in here for Senator Syas. Let him explain it, Senator Syas. Senator Marvel, proceed.

SENATOR MARVEL: The request here is for \$25,000 to take care of the bill that was passed in regard to endangered species. We had a discussion yesterday whether or not this money had been added, or whether it had simply been earmarked by taking it from the fund. The fact of the matter is it was taken from the fund. Since the Game Commission took a three percent cut the Commission felt, or at least the representative employees of the Commission felt that the \$25,000 should be added back into the fund. Now, Senator Syas, I think that explains it.

SENATOR SYAS: Well....

SENATOR F. LEWIS: Other comments on it? Senator Syas, you can close and reply then.

SENATOR SYAS: Well I think I should reply and let Senator Marvel answer because the way it's done ... the endangered species act has been funded. Now they say, since it's been taken from one fund into another and has been funded, that now it shorts the magazine, TV, brochures and that sort of thing, that's the fund now that's short instead of the endangered species fund. I just wanted to make that clear. So what we're actually doing here is not funding the endangered species, which as I understand has been funded, it's where they got the \$25,000 from to fund the endangered species. They've shorted the other fund, isn't that right Senator Marvel?

SENATOR MARVEL: As far as I'm concerned, the whole problem revolves around the fact that you need \$25,000 to fund a bill that was passed. This particular amendment will do that. I think that's all that needs to be said.

SENATOR SYAS: In order to shorten this up, this is Senator Mahoney's bill. Why don't we let him catch it on Select File and let him argue out what he wants to do.

SENATOR F. LEWIS: Are you making a request to withdraw your amendment, Senator Syas?

SENATOR SYAS: It's really Senator Mahoney's amendment so let ... he isn't here, so....

SENATOR F. LEWIS: Are you making a request to withdraw the amendment?

SENATOR SYAS: For the time being.